

SOUTH CENTRAL CAC

Roberts Park Community Center

1300 E. Martin Street (919) 831-6830

NEXT MEETING

Monday, November 24, 2008

7:00 PM

AGENDA

- I. Welcome, Prayer, & Pledge of Allegiance
- II. City of Raleigh Updates
- III. Planning Communities Survey (fill out)
- IV. Builders of Hope Project Public Hearing
-Community Development
- V. Historic Chavis Park Carousel Petition at
City Council (Dec. 2)
- VI. Affordable Housing Committee Update
- VII. Christmas Holiday Social Planning Update
- VIII. Community Concerns and Projects

ALL ARE WELCOME!

***PARTICIPATION, INVOLVEMENT, EMPOWERMENT,
IMPROVEMENT ARE THINGS WE ALL NEED AND WE
ALL KNOW. COME AND JOIN YOUR SOUTH CENTRAL CAC:***

NOTE:

*If you have an email address and would like your newsletter by email, please
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SCCAC minutes October 27, 2008 meeting

Attendance: 50

Residents- 44

City Staff: 6 RPD-2 (Noble, Ortiz), Park, CSD, SERA coordinator; CD (Grant)

1. Welcome, Prayer and Pledge of Allegiance

2. City Departments reports

- a. **Roberts Parks** – programs, events, park as voting center, drainage issue Resolved, old sick trees to be cut, Leisure Ledger 1st quarter 2009 coming soon.
- b. **Raleigh Police Department** – showed SE district map of area covered; parked cars issue solved; working on other issues with Inspections.
 - 1) Resident: prostitution and drug dealing in the area allowed by landlords for many years; will like to have a spot on the next meeting agenda to give more details; RPD officer will follow up. We need more than trees and cars things done.
 - 2) Resident: shoes hanging from electric wires- will be taken care by RPD; gang-related issue; presence of Bloods on Martin street.
 - 3) RPD officer Ortiz- I need people to call me and share their concerns and complaints. # 524-7082
 - 4) Resident: 300 block of Chavis Way - people park their vehicles and walk, go into an area and then leave. Also, a lady has a house where young people come in and go out all day long. Will call Officer Ortiz.
 - 5) Resident: complaint forms to CAC meeting if available (Luis)

3. Planning Communities (Ann Steedly; Lillian Thompson) – presentation on project

- a. A project with SERA; met with SERA in September and will now meet with 7 CAC's in the SE Raleigh area.
- b. Community assets or features- resources that enrich the community and need to be used or advertised
- c. Maps were developed for the entire 54 square miles area and collected information of the features, which were then added to the map. Will provide handouts in every meeting.
- d. Importance of getting individuals input and opinion; a tool to advertise area for development and investment

4. Special permit use request 1400 E Davie Street (family day care)- Ms. Brown

- a. Share brochure on project for area and request input from neighbors concerning the project which will require rezoning. Has visited some

- neighbors in the area for this business adventure in what she feels is a great neighborhood. Lives in Worthdale and grew up in the area, attended Ligon.
- b. Resident: hours to be served. Concern about traffic that it will generate. Does not follow up with the history and tradition of the community. NO
 - c. Resident: shares the same concerns about traffic. NO
 - d. Resident: we need a day care in the area but not in the requested area NO
 - e. Resident: we need something like this, which is positive. YES
 - f. Resident: concern with traffic and possibility for those wishing to sell home in the future. NO
 - g. Resident: good idea but a different place. Do not bring a business into a residential area. NO
 - h. Resident: concern with traffic. Love the idea, but a different location. NO
 - i. Resident: thank you for scanning community's opinion; same concerns for a property that is 4 – 5 acres and which will accommodate less amount of children that expected. Tax value. NO

Ms. Brown: Have heard the concerns (old and new) and have done research

Chair: rezoning is very expensive; should we do a show of hands to get an idea of support and opposition? What will decide how to go with your business project?

Ms. Brown: I want to capitalize by providing a high quality business that will go all the way to five-stars and that will be enjoyed by community.

Resident: support business and at the same time ask for solutions for the crime in this neighborhood.

Resident: If we allow one business, that we won't be able to stop it. NO

Resident: no matter what happens look at other locations in the area.

MOTION TO VOTE IN FAVOR (YES) OR AGAINST (NO)

VOTE: YES – 3 NO – 18

Final statement by Ms. Brown: we need to get involved in order to improve neighborhood so we do not have police coming in and out all day.

5. Chavis Park Carousel petition- Ms. LonetteWilliams (SPERNA)

Shared about the carousel plan by Parks and Recreation and distributed information about SPERNA's petition. It is part of the restoration of the community's historic areas. Chavis Park was limited to a few amenities.

City Council has not responded to the community's request. Petition text was read. It states the opposition to the removal plan given its historic location and request to improve facilities that will bring people again to the park (airplane, train, concessions) Flyer and wish list distributed. Support from Chair and Mrs. Sanders.

6. Affordable Housing committee report- Amanda Carson

Definition and concept; state legislature initiative concerning housing and mortgage crisis; HUD will consider sending Raleigh a block grant; workforce housing for people that work in the city, which are considered the backbone of a successful community.

Michelle Grant- info on block grant under the 'Neighborhood Stabilization Program' which will give the state 52 million dollars. Only Charlotte got direct funds; other cities will have to apply in order to get funds and buy foreclosed properties. 50% of families will have to be at 50% of median income of the Raleigh-Cary metropolitan area.

Resident: how can we know how many and which houses have been foreclosed?

Michelle: websites and county information; HUD – mostly 27610

Non-profit will apply and communities.

State Street project- Builders of Hope did submit a proposal which will be reviewed by BED commission and City Council. Will requesting to acquire all 25 lots, but CD wants to do 5 at a time, so affordability is a priority along with good design, energy efficiency and quality amenities.

CD affordable value: \$102,000 - \$170,000

Chair: We need to ask Builders of Hope to commit.

7. Rex Senior Health Center- Dr. Darkes (director since it opened in 1997)

Shared facts about his background and medical career and how he got to Raleigh. Has lived in Garner since 1990. Interest on serving areas with limited healthcare providers. Established community advisory committee for input and concerns.

Services provided: transportation; medical specialists, partnerships, information, insurance program, and others that can save residents hundreds or thousands of dollars. Also does programs with AARP, Shaw, St.. Augustine and broadcast a program called "Ask your doctor", and many others. Support from churches, barber shops, colleges concerning the prostate cancer awareness among African-Americans. Come and visit at corner of Davie and Chavis.

10. **Save Raleigh Homes-** short presentation and handout distribution by Mr. Brian Yee (SERA and CCAC)
11. **Early Vote-** do it!
12. **Christmas Social** – early December 22, 2008.
13. **Next Meeting date:** Monday, November 24, 2008.

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Neighborhood Services News & Announcements

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Cost: no charge (dinner included)

Class meets Thursdays from 6 - 9 p.m. at Peace College.

For an application, contact Kevin Smith

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For an application, contact Charlene Willard

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RALEIGH TO HOST NEIGHBORHOOD USA's 2010 NATIONAL CONFERENCE

Raleigh has been selected to host Neighborhoods USA's (NUSA) 35th National Conference on Neighborhood Concerns in 2010. The conference will be held May 19-22, 2010 in the new downtown convention center. NUSA will bring to Raleigh new ideas, innovative approaches and solutions to addressing neighborhood quality of life concerns. NUSA provides an opportunity for people from all locations, sectors and levels of society to discuss the pressing issues of the times, share experiences and offer encouragement or assistance. The City of Raleigh looks forward to hosting this 2010 conference. For more information, contact Community Services Department at 996-6100



NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION REGISTRY



To identify and support existing neighborhood organizations, Community Services offers a registry program for different types of neighborhood groups and associations, such as a neighborhood association, garden club, homeowners association, community watch program, etc., we encourage you to contact your neighborhood leaders and have them complete a Neighborhood Association Registry application. It's **FREE** to register. **To Register,** contact Charlene Willard 831-6095 • charlene.willard@ci.raleigh.nc.us

WANT TO STRENGTHEN YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD'S QUALITY OF LIFE?

Become a Citizen Area Liaison

and serve as a link between your neighborhood residents and any organization, agency, and resource, including, but not limited to, the City of Raleigh. See your neighborhood improve and thrive over a period of time and gain satisfaction and pride by knowing that you helped to bring about those changes.

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SEPTEMBER: 'NEIGHBORHOOD MONTH'

September has been designated by the Raleigh City Council as Neighborhood Month. In addition to the Neighborhood Exchange, we would like to have outdoor activities on different weekends to celebrate our neighborhoods. These outdoor activities could consist of a parade, tours of neighborhoods and a closing picnic. A citizens' committee has been formed to help us explore additional ways to celebrate our treasures. Please contact Sheila Lynch at 996-6100 if you are interested in serving on this committee.